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Applicant : Josef Dietl Art Unit : 2439
Serial No. : 10/675,930 Examiner : Farid Homayounmehr
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Title : HYBRID DIGITAL SIGNATURE WORKFLOW

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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE

In response to the Notice of Allowance mailed April 19, 2010, enclosed is a completed issue fee transmittal form PTOL-85b.

INTERVIEW SUMMARY

The undersigned representative thanks the Examiner for the courtesy of the telephonic interview held on April 2, 2010. Examiner Farid Homayounmehr and Rishi Gupta participated in the interview.

The substance of the interview included a discussion of the cited art in relation to a proposed amendment to the claims. Agreement was reached that the Examiner would issue an Examiner's Amendment in view of the interview discussions to amend independent claims 18, 23, and 27 in view of the proposal.

COMMENTS ON EXAMINER'S REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Applicant appreciates the Examiner's allowance of Claims 3, 4, 13-16, 18-24, 27, and 28. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.104, Applicant respectfully issues a statement commenting on the Examiner's reasons for allowance. Applicant respectfully disagrees with the Examiner's reasons for allowance to the extent that they are inconsistent with applicable case law, statutes, and

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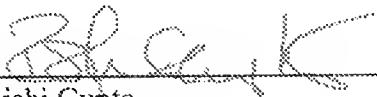
regulations. Further, Applicant does not admit to any characterization or limitation of the claims or to any characterization of a reference by the Examiner, particularly any that are inconsistent with the language of the claims considered in their entirety and including all of their constituent limitations. Moreover, the Applicant's agreement to amend the claims in view of the Examiner's proposals should not be construed a disclaimer of the previously presented claims.

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Respectfully submitted,

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